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At a conference in mid-November MAO Tse-tung ordered KIM Il-sung to stop the maltreatment by the North Korean forces of American and South Korean prisoners of war. Chinese Communist officers were assigned to North Korean units to enforce this measure, which the Chinese authorities considered important, in view of Communist propaganda claims about their humane treatment of prisoners.

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